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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR  
EXCHANGING FERROUS, NON-FERROUS  
AND PLATINUM GROUP METALS

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Please enter the following amendment in the above-referenced patent application.

**An Amendment to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this paper.